



## Bus rapid transit (BRT)

BRT systems typically combine separated or dedicated lane configurations with signal prioritization and improved vehicles and stations, often with a “branded” identity that distinguishes it from regular bus service. BRT vehicles have increased capacity, modernized seating configurations, and high capacity doors for loading and unloading. BRT service stops or stations resemble rail-transit stations, with level boarding platforms and the provision for the prepayment of fares in order to speed loading times.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>5</sup> More information on BRT systems, including “The BRT Planning Guide” and “The BRT Standard” can be found on the Institute for Transportation and Development Policy website <http://www.itdp.org/library/standards-and-guides/>.

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Bus rapid transit at facility.  
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